

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Susumu NODA et al. Application No.: 10/550,596 Confirmation No.: 1380 Filing or 371(c) Date: September 25, 2006 Title: TWO DIMENSIONAL PHOTONIC CRYSTAL SURFACE-EMITTING LASER	Art Unit: 2811  Examiner: A. Belousov
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election Requirement issued on January 10, 2008, Applicant elects Species I: Figure 1, including claims 1, 2, 4-6, and 8 for prosecution in the present application. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 and 5 are generic. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant hereby reserves the right to file a Divisional Application to pursue prosecution of the non-elected Species.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 6, 2008

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